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DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO UTTARANCHAL
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Uttaranchal has demanded a lump-sum amount as assistance for development of the State particularly of Haridwar and Nainital;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government has taken any comprehensive steps in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) to (e): The Government of Uttaranchal is proposing Annual Plans for the development of the State including of Haridwar and Nainital. The size of Annual Plan is decided on the basis of availability of resources for various projects / programmes and state specific needs. The size of Annual Plans 2004-05 and 2005-06 were finalized at Rs. 1810.40 crore and Rs. 2700 crore respectively. Besides, additionality of Rs. 20.47 crore were provided during Annual Plan 2004-05. It is also mentioned that for Haridwar Ardha Kumbh Mela, an amount of Rs. 135 crore was provided for creation of infrastructure.